



## Today in History

*December 2, 1971*

▲ **The United Arab Emirates came into being, comprising the former Trucial states of Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm al-Quwain and Fujairah**

**1971:** The unmanned Soviet spacecraft Mars 3 landed on Mars

**1979:** Iranian electors voted in favour of a new constitution that gave absolute power to Ayatollah Khomeini

**1989:** U.S. President George HW Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev declared the end of the Cold War

**2019:** The Power of Siberia pipeline entered service, delivering Russian natural gas to China